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We desire to thank Congressman Massey for a large wall map of the United States.

It is now Congressman Sells, and ex-Congressman Massey, the former having taken his oath of office.

Congress will reconvene April 4. The members hope for a short session but a long one is expected.

According to Mr. Groundhog, but two weeks separate us from Spring. Can't come to soon for us.

All country editors will be glad that the visits of the congressional record will cease for a brief spell, at least.

A news item says Taylor is still for harmony. We guess Bob will need some harmony to land his job again, two years hence.

Newport is certainly on the map with a governor and a member of the second highest court in the state, claiming this place as their home.

Lorimer keeps his seat, but he must feel that some of his colleagues do not consider him a fit man to occupy a place in that great body.

Governor Hooper says that if he pleases the people with three out of every four of his acts, that he will feel as though he has been going pretty well.

The plan to build another plant at the tannery, offering employment to at least 40 more men, should be good news to the merchants of Newport.

There have been in the past some exceedingly warm political scraps in the First District, but the one which is promised two years hence, should be hot enough for the most exacting.

Joe Cannon is no longer speaker of the House, and in the last session those who had made his lot most miserable during the past year, helped to cheer the old man up, with words of praise.

Charles D. Hilles has succeeded Chas. D. Norton as secretary to the president, making three men who have tried to hold down this difficult position during the two years Taft has been in office.

Rev. Chas. F. Aked, the pastor of Rockefeller's church does not give that congregation a very good name, when he states that there is no future for the church or his ministry, and so he quits the New York field and goes to 'Erisco.

Joe Bailey, distinguished United States senator from Texas, had his feelings hurt when the Senate did not vote to suit him and handed in his resignation. The resignation was not accepted and after pouting awhile, the senator re-considered.

Knoxville's exposition plans are under way. Morristown has arranged her program for her fair and has placed the order for the fair catalogue, and the Newport fair has not been mentioned as yet. May, the month of the annual meeting comes too late and the officials should be gotten together at an earlier date, if the fair is to be the success, the county merits.

When Martin Littleton announced for the senate in New York, he was accused of being a carpet bagger from the South.

Strawberries are selling for five cents per box in New Orleans, at a time when the ground hog still holds winter over this section.

It looked like Tennessee's day with the governor, a senator and three or four congressmen from this state dining with the president, Monday.

Tennessee is faring pretty well in reference to the chairmanships in the new congress as Garrett, Moon, Padgett and Sims will all land good berths.

The man who marries a glass widow need not expect that he is going to live in clover. Far be it from so.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

The need of a day current for Newport is shown during the dark days of the spring, when business is handicapped because of poor light. The town will welcome something of this kind.

Warden Rice of the state penitentiary was short over \$3,000 when the penitentiary committee reached his department and he had to cover up in a hurry, finally getting a clean bill of health by paying the shortage.

John Houck says that the redistricting of East Tennessee increasing the judicial circuits will be worth untold millions to the state, and he wants Governor Hooper and Treasurer Taylor to pull in the same harness to this end.

The Plain Talk is again making its weekly visit to its readers. We are short several names of former subscribers and if you notice the paper at the home of a neighbor and have missed that one which should have come to you, it is because your name perished with our list in the fire. Get in communication with us at once and we will see that no more copies are missed.

The Stokely Brothers and Company who purchased the Newport Cotton Mill last week will utilize the building to the advantage of Newport. With the purchase of the big building comes the announcement that from 150 to 200 hands will be employed here for the two or three months of the tomato and corn season. It means that the farmers of this section who grow tomatoes and corn for the use of this firm will find a ready market and that money will be turned loose in Newport during the canning season which has not benefited the merchants to any extent in the past. The Stokely Brothers & Company are to extend their business and while the industry has been looked upon as one of the most substantial of its kind, it will now have a new rating in the canning field.

The people of Newport are in a right mood for waterworks. It is fitting that the Woman's Improvement Club should have organized at this time as it gives these good ladies an opportunity

to show that they are interested in the success of the effort to put conveniences in their homes. When these ladies were offered headquarters without expense to them, they found it to their advantage to pay \$100 per year for quarters with water conveniences. This little incident demonstrates what the ladies think of the water question. The aldermen of the town have shown a willingness to let the people decide whether they desire to bond the town for the installation of such a system. We believe that the voters will recognize the need of the system for the town and will vote to give the women folk this needed convenience in their homes.

The farmers of one county in Georgia have sold \$40,000 worth of fat hogs in the past three months, besides killing enough to keep them in meat for the coming year. Georgia possesses no natural advantages that are not found in Tennessee, but we have not heard that any county in this State has come anywhere near approaching this record.—Nashville Tennessean.

VETERANS NOT PLEASED.

The naming of Dr. Massey as manager of the Soldier's Home at Johnson City, has created a stir among the old veterans and particularly among the friends of John B. Brownlow who was an applicant for the position. In view of the circumstances the following is taken from a letter sent by Col. Brownlow to the Journal and Tribune:

"The special dispatch from Washington in your issue of Thursday as to the selection of Dr. Zachariah D. Massey as local manager of the Soldiers' Home at Johnson City to the effect that said Massey worked faithfully for my election is so contrary to the truth that I will not permit it to go unanswered. On his way to Washington, to the meeting of congress, I saw Massey. He told me: 'He was a candidate for the position himself and for two reasons the chief of which was that he was going to contest two years hence with Hon. Sam R. Sells for the seat in congress to which Mr. Sells had been elected;' and which Massey rode into for three months on Sells' back. The doctor said: 'That the patronage, the offices of the home at his disposal as manager would greatly help him in his coming contest with Sells.' The second reason he gave for wishing the position was that 'He was entitled to it as a veteran of the Spanish-American war.' 'Veteran' Massey will learn after awhile that not only all Union veterans who really did military service but most every body else have a contempt for a fellow who is demanding office as a 'veteran' who, like himself, was never within 1,000 miles of an armed enemy and who even while picknicking in camp occupied a non-combative position as he did. Union veterans are not opposed to men for office who were in Spanish-American regiments who ask office on their merits and qualifications. They nearly all voted for Hooper for governor and they have seen these Spanish-American 'veterans' receive more offices, state and federal, in proportion to their numbers and the value of their military service than have men of their own class. As there were 35,000 Union soldiers from East Tennessee and as the survivors of these and their descendants, augmented by thousands of such soldiers of other states who have settled in our state since 1895, outnumber in East Tennessee the Massey brand of heroes about ten to one the doctor may find out in his next race for congress that these voters are not inclined to see men like himself, who never fired a shot or got within 1,000 miles of a Spanish soldier, monopolize all positions of honor or profit."

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What the World is Doing

Cholera appears in Honolulu.

San Francisco has its first snow in 25 years.

Fire practically destroys Conroe, Texas. Loss \$150,000.

Major Duff, U. S. A. retired, dies in Washington, aged 50.

Mob at Warrington, Ga., lynches two negroes accused of murder.

Fire practically destroys White Springs, Fla. Loss \$200,000.

General Educational Fund plans a \$3,000,000 university for Oklahoma.

Guerilla warfare continue in Mexico between regulars and insurgents.

Crowd in Madrid, Spain, mobs women wearing the harem skirt.

Robbers dynamite First State Bank at Barry, Texas, securing \$25,000.

Fire destroys business section of Donaldsonville, La. Loss \$250,000.

Mobile, Ala., celebrates its 200th anniversary. Cardinal Gibbons attends.

Bishop Heslin, of Catholic diocese of Natchez, Miss., dies in that city, aged 64.

Passadena, Cal., has its first snow in 20 years. It snowed just 15 minutes.

Jeering crowds in Paris, France, pelt women wearing the harem skirt with eggs.

Fire destroys the world's largest pocket-book plant at West Bend, Wis. Loss \$200,000.

Over 800 boiler-makers on the N. Y. Central lines at Cleveland, Ohio, go out on a strike.

Triplet girls born to Mrs. Knowlton, Detroit, Mich., are christened Red White and Blue.

Two horses, valued at \$500, fight to death on the farm of August Raker, Hunter's Bottoms, Ky.

Canada stops negro immigration from this country. They are regarded as undesirable citizens.

Church of England contemplates abbreviating Tenth Commandment to "Thou shalt not covet."

"Limit of woman's constancy is three years," declares Warden Hoyle, of the California State Prison.

Fire destroys two of the largest tobacco factories in the world at Richmond, Va. Loss \$300,000.

English army estimates for 1911-1912 show a total of \$138,450,000 a decrease of \$350,000 since last year.

Wolfe County (Kentucky) tobacco raisers decide to plant the largest acreage in the history of the county.

General Cabell, noted warrior and former commander of the Confederate Veterans, dies in Dallas, Texas, aged 84.

Prof. Wilcox, Cornell statistician, places New York State's loss from deaths by tuberculosis in 1910 at \$64,000,000.

Fire destroys Calumet Grain Elevator at Chicago, containing 200,000 bushels of grain. Loss estimated at \$500,000.

Chief of Police Redmond, of Boston, advocates return of the ducking stool and whipping post for scolding women.

Official census gives Germany a population of 63,986,881, an increase of 4,945,638 since 1905. Prussia alone has 40,457,573.

The late Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, leaves a personal estate of \$4,061 to his successor, together with his furniture and library.

Mayor Hamilton, G. A. R. veteran, who took part in arrangements for Lee's surrender at Appomattox, dies at Louisville, Kentucky.

John Farrell, Pike County (Kentucky) feudist leader, arrested for alleged murder of Mrs. Daniels and her daughter a year ago.

Police with drawn night sticks clash with a body of suffragettes with drawn batons in Philadelphia. Rout of suffragettes followed.

Austrian head of the Rothschild family, who died recently in Vienna, leaves \$500,000 to charity. His estate was valued at \$45,000,000.

Rev. Campbell, colored Baptist minister, aged 83, stands in the icy waters of the Ohio, at Lawrenceburg, Ind., and baptizes 15 persons of his own race.

Fire destroys eight potato store-houses at Easton, Maine, containing 75,000 barrels. Total loss \$100,000, divided among a dozen layers and farmers.

Day letter service is started by Western Union on March 1. Rates are one and one half times the night letter rates between the same points.

Johnny Coulon becomes bantam-weight champion of the world by knocking out Frank Conley in the 20th round at New Orleans before 6,000 spectators.

Premier Asquith introduces bill in House of Commons to abolish the veto power of the House of Lords, which, if passed, will sound the knell of the latter body.

George B. Cox, Republican leader of Hamilton County, Ohio, and well known as an important factor in State and national politics, is indicted on the charge of perjury.

Because of the frequent losses of live stock, over 500 dry-land farmers of Montana will start a wolf hunt to last a week. Over 200 cowboys will also engage in the hunt.

Mrs. Drummond, formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, of Chicago, while on the steamship "Amerika," enroute from Europe to New York, is robbed of jewels valued at \$130,000.

Georgia bandits who held up the United States fast mail on Southern Railway captured in the mountains of Lumpkin County by a posse after exchanging many shots.

Hugh McGregor, founder of the American Federation of Labor, dies in Prince George County, Maryland, from wounds received while fighting under Garibaldi in Italy. He was 70 years old.

Charles W. Price, editor of the Electrical Review, announces that the time will soon arrive when a small electric reservoir will replace the coal pile in all cellars for heating and cooking.

William Smith, Confederate veteran and engineer of the famous Southern gunboat R. W. McRae, which defied Federal force at New Orleans after the surrender in 1865, dies in Gulfport, Miss.

Crooks among male politicians outnumber corrupt female officials 100 to 1, declares Judge Lindsey, of Denver, Colo., addressing a mass meeting of suffragists in the New Yew Assembly at Albany.

At Moundsville, W. Va., three men press buttons to release the trap used to hang a negro murderer. Which man released the trap will never be known. The execution was stayed three times.

Italy prepares for the trial of 41 members of the Camorra, the dreaded Neapolitan sacred society. Over 450 witnesses will be called and the trial, which will open at Viterbo, March 11, is expected to last over one year.

Caswell McCatten, a negro, Georgetown, Ky., is sent to the penitentiary for life for stealing a turkey from the roost of a Scott County farmer. This being his third conviction for similar offenses he was given the life term under the habitual criminal act.

The great forest fires of last year cost the Government \$1,050,000 for the actual expenses of fighting the flames. The Government provided only \$185,000 last year for fighting forest fires, and it has been necessary to ask for \$915,000 more to make up for the expenses incurred.

"When you see a man with a furtive look—something akin to a hunted animal—don't make up your mind that he is a burglar or a defaulter. He's merely a bachelor," declares Mrs. Emma Clark, of Boston, National President of the daughters of 1812.

Pope Pius X. places ban the "harem" shirt. The Observatore Romano, the vatican's organ, says that the Pope "strongly disapproves of the 'harem' shirt because it is calculated to diminish the wearer's self-respect and to abolish sex distinction." The paper says wearers of the skirt will be excluded from all Catholic churches.

This winter's log cut in the woods of the Upper Kennebec River and tributary streams, will be close to 125,000,000, according to figures by the operators. It was 117,007,177 a year ago, according to the log driving companies. The output is divided between 13 firms.

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